## Positive Alternatives 2014-16 Quarterly Update

**Grantee: CHOICES PREGNANCY CENTER** 

Goal: To provide support encouraging women of Redwood Co. and surround area to carry pregnancies to term, and to care for their babies after birth

## For the period:

| Activity or<br>Service                    | Activity or Service  Description  Major Work Plan Activities   | Work<br>Plan<br>Count | Program Progress and Accomplishments Report the progress and accomplishments made this period on each activity.  | Report<br>Count |
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| Administrative<br>Activities              | Provide guidance to grant<br>staff; complete grant forms<br>and requirements; attend<br>required grant meetings; hire<br>and train grant staff |                       | Continued bi-weekly sessions with staff on specific training topics related to client services. Practicing and beginning to implement Coach Approach in client contact. Have developed a list of coaching questions for common client conversations and topics. Updating Policy and Procedure according to legal review recommendations to ensure quality service and practices.   |                 |
| Outreach                                  | Offer on-site parenting, pregnancy and life-skills education lessons to pregnant or parenting students in 3 area high schools                  |                       | Although we have been contacted about meeting with clients in the schools, none followed through to actually meeting with us. Outreach continues through the educational blog and social media posts that encourage learning and healthy life choices. We continue to see growth in this area as more people are reached. Working to connect directly with current clients as well so they can benefit from the educational posts. |                 |
| Crib Distribution/ Sleep Safety Education | Provide Safe Sleep education and opportunity to earn Pack n Play or Crib   | 1 - 2                 | Reducing the Risk of SIDS DVD discusses the safest environment for baby's sleep  | 3               |
| Life-Skills<br>Education<br>Program       | Provide individual lessons on relevant life skills in an incentive program   | 1 - 2                 | Lesson focused on healthy relationship building  | 3               |

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| Nutrition                                   | Provide individual lessons on good nutrition during pregnancy and for breastfeeding and infancy | 3 - 6                 | Goals and benefits of breastfeeding, and Your Changing Body were lessons given that emphasized the importance of good nutrition for mother and baby.                            | 3               |
| Parenting<br>Education                      | Provide individual sessions on relevant parenting topics in an incentive program                | 30                    | Understanding your baby's cry, Eye contact means love, Infant temperament and 10 Things Every Child needs are among the popular parenting lessons this quarter.                 | 58              |
| Pregnancy<br>Education                      | Provide individual sessions on relevant pregnancy and childbirth topics in an incentive program | 15                    | Your Changing Body, Your Unborn Baby's Secret World, Trimester lessons, and various labor preparation exercises were among the pregnancy education favorites this quarter.      | 21              |
| Provide Necessary Services Assessments Only | intake assessments, information on, referral to and assistance with securing                    | 1                     | All clients chose to sign up for Earn While You Learn in addition to the referral services they received.   | 0               |
| Transportation                              | ,   | 2 - 3                 | 4 different clients were able to come to lessons because of<br>bus vouchers provided by Positive Alternatives. (9 total<br>vouchers were given this quarter to those 4 clients) | 9               |

| Maternal and Child Health Initiative Task Force Strategies   | No. |
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| Number of women who received car seats and car seat safety education from a PA funded program activity | 0   |

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| Number of women who received car seat safety education only from a PA funded program activity                              | 0   |
| Number of women who received child abuse prevention education from a PA funded program activity                            | 4   |
| Number of women who received abusive head trauma (shaken baby) prevention education from a PA funded program activity      | 1   |
| Number of women who received a baby bed, crib, or pack-n-play and sleep safety education from a PA funded program activity | 3   |
| Number of women who received sleep safety education only from a PA funded program activity                                 | 0   |

| Challenges: |
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